



Docket No.: 1560-0362P

(PATENT)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: Kazuo HIGASHI et al.

Application No.: 09/912,376

Filed: July 26, 2001

For: REMUNERATION CALCULATING

METHOD, REMUNERATION

CALCULATING APPARATUS, AND COMPUTER MEMORY PRODUCT

Confirmation No.: 5053

Art Unit: 3623

Examiner: B. Van Doren

STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the attorney named below be advised of the status of the above-identified application. Please advise us of when we might expect to receive an Office Action from the Patent and Trademark Office.

Dated:

JUL 1 2 2005

Respectfully submitted,

c. Michael K. Mutter

Registration No.: 29,680

BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP

8110 Gatehouse Rd

Suite 100 East

P.O. Box 747

Falls Church, Virginia 22040-0747

(703) 205-8000

Attorney for Applicant